
By: **Delegates McIntosh and Marriott**
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City - Charles Village Community Benefits District -**
3 **Continuation of Authority**

4 FOR the purpose of declaring that the intent of the General Assembly is to affirm that
5 the Charles Village Community Benefits District has been in continuous effect
6 since a certain year and will remain in effect unless the Mayor and City Council
7 of Baltimore expressly terminate the continuing existence of the District; and
8 generally relating to the Charles Village Community Benefits District.

9 Preamble

10 WHEREAS, Chapter 732 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1994 authorized
11 the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to establish, by ordinance, community
12 benefits district management authorities, including the Charles Village Community
13 Benefits District, to provide certain services to the business interests and residents of
14 the Charles Village Community; and

15 WHEREAS, Chapter 732 of the Acts of 1994 required the Mayor and City
16 Council of Baltimore to review the effectiveness and desirability of continuing the
17 existence of the District every 4 years from the enactment of the ordinance and
18 provided that the Act take effect June 1, 1994, and terminate at the end of May 31,
19 1997, with no further action required by the General Assembly; and

20 WHEREAS, Chapter 655 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997 required
21 the General Assembly to review and determine the desirability of continuing the
22 existence of each community benefit district, including the Charles Village
23 Community Benefits District, every 4 years beginning with the regular legislative
24 session of 2000 and extended the termination date of Chapter 732 of the Acts of 1994
25 until the end of May 31, 2000; and

26 WHEREAS, Chapter 89 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2000 amended
27 the provision requiring the General Assembly to review and determine the
28 desirability of continuing the existence of the Charles Village Community Benefits
29 District to require the Mayor and City Council to review and determine the
30 desirability of continuing the existence of the Charles Village Community Benefits

1 District every 4 years beginning with the first meeting of the Mayor and City Council
2 in December 2002; and

3 WHEREAS, Chapter 89 of the Acts of 2000 repealed the termination date of
4 Chapter 732 of the Acts of 1994, as amended by Chapter 655 of the Acts of 1997,
5 thereby effectively continuing the authority for the District since 1994; and

6 WHEREAS, The Office of Counsel to the General Assembly concluded in a letter
7 of advice to Delegate McIntosh dated February 3, 2003, that the Charles Village
8 Community Benefits District has been in continuous effect since June 1, 1994; now,
9 therefore,

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
11 MARYLAND, That it is the intent of the General Assembly of Maryland that this Act
12 affirms that the Charles Village Community Benefits District has been in continuous
13 effect since 1994 and will remain in effect unless the Mayor and City Council of
14 Baltimore expressly terminate the continuing existence of the District.

15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
16 October 1, 2003.